AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

A. Please insert the following heading and paragraph in the specification on page 1 after the title and before paragraph 1:

RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims priority to International Application No. PCT/GB2005/000342 filed on February 2, 2005, which claims priority to Great Britain Application No. GB 0402206.7 filed on February 2, 2004, the disclosures of which are incorporated by reference herein in their entireties.

B. Please insert the following headings in the specification on page 1 before paragraph 1 (which is provided below for convenience):

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to a method and structure for holding and retaining a tube in place relative to a surface.

C. Please insert the following heading in the specification on page 1 between paragraph 1 and paragraph 2 (which is provided below for convenience):

Description of the Related Art

It is often desirable to hold and retain a tube or pipe to a surface. For example, this is particularly desirable where a tube or pipe extends into, or from, a device, such as for example, a pump or motor etc.

D. Please insert the following heading in the specification on page 2 between paragraph 2 and paragraph 3 (which is provided below for convenience):

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

According to the present invention there is provided a tube retainer comprising a tube having a retention groove formed in the external surface, adjacent to an open end, of said tube, and a holding clamp adapted to engage said retention groove.

E. Please insert the following heading in the specification on page 4 between full paragraph 2 and full paragraph 3 (which is provided below for convenience):

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The present invention will now be described further with reference to the following drawings, in which:

F. Please insert the following heading in the specification on page 5 between paragraph 4 and paragraph 5 (which is provided below for convenience):

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Referring to Figure 3, the present invention provides for a tube retainer 100 for retaining a tube relative to a surface on a device (not shown) such as a pump or motor. The tube retainer 100 comprises a tube 102 and a holding clamp 103.